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Robert Ainsworth, et al.

Serial No.: 09/872,310

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 5, 2003, for the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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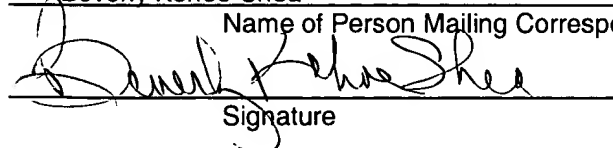
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SIR: Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above application.

 Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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